

REMARKS

Claims 1-9, 11-14, 16-20, 23-24, 26-31 and 33-51 were pending as of the action mailed on October 15, 2009. Claims 1, 9, 13, 30, 38, 42, and 50 are in independent form.

Claims 30, 38, 42, and 50 are being amended for clarity. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration of the action is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

The examiner rejected claims 30, 38, and 50 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as allegedly directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Allowable subject matter

The examiner stated that all claims not dependent upon the rejected claims appear to overcome the art of record. The applicant appreciates the examiner's identification of allowable subject matter.

Section 101 Rejections

Claims 30, 38, and 50 were rejected as non-statutory. In order to expedite prosecution, and without prejudice, the applicant has amended claims 30, 38, and 50 to recite one or more processors. The applicant respectfully requests that the examiner withdraw the rejections to claims 30, 38, and 50.

Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, the applicant submits that all the claims are in condition for allowance.

By responding in the foregoing remarks only to particular positions taken by the examiner, the applicant does not acquiesce with other positions that have not been explicitly addressed. In addition, the applicant's selecting some particular arguments for the patentability of a claim should not be understood as implying that no other reasons for the patentability of that claim exist. Finally, the applicant's decision to amend or cancel any claim should not be

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understood as implying that the applicant agrees with any positions taken by the examiner with respect to that claim or other claims.

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